

**RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2004**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., with Mike Pavey answering roll call. Chris Fields and Toby Gilliam were not present. Also present were City Attorney, Julie Newhouse, Scott Murray, WKWH, and Starr Shuppert, *Rushville Republican*.

There was not a quorum present, therefore, there was no formal action taken.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**721 & 725 North Morgan – Doug Morgan Property** – Even though there was not a quorum present, since Doug Morgan was finally able to attend a meeting, he was given the opportunity to speak. He said he has been trying to work with the City. He thought he had made it clear when he was not going to be able to attend previous meetings. He indicated that he had taken off work a couple of hours early today to attend the meeting. He said the flea problem has been taken care of, the trash has been cleaned up, and the building is a sound structure. He has begun repairs to try to get the property back in a “rentable” condition. He is hoping to be able to rent the South side after the first of the year, with approval from Clark. He stated that the taxes are current. No offers have been made to purchase, but he is willing to consider any offers. He asked the City to consider removing the fines that the City has assessed. After he gets it fixed he will try to get some better people in to rent so it won’t be torn up again.

Bridges said the building probably is structurally sound. He said until we see some progress, he doesn’t see how fines can be removed. Bridges said the neighbors are upset over the condition of property. Bridges told Morgan to contact Clark and have him inspect the property.

**621 N Main Street** – Danny Bennett said historically this property has trash problems. Letters have been sent since July 2001. He has continued with his efforts to get property cleaned up. He sent a certified letter to the P.O. Box, as requested, but it was not picked up. After time expired the City did the clean up. A bill was sent for \$264.25, but it was never paid. Therefore, a lien was filed against taxes. November 24<sup>th</sup> another letter was sent regarding trash. Included with that was a letter regarding the healthy neighborhood project asking them to watch their property a little better and help keep the City clean. Letter was picked up and then called and left a nasty voice mail to Bennett. They say other people are leaving trash on property. Bennett would like to have owners attend the next meeting. Bridges will direct the City Attorney to send letters to Michael Wilson and Brian McBride to have them appear at the next meeting.

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Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Bridges seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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TOBY GILLIAM, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER